

Collins Mixer

Collins Bay Yacht Club Newsletter

SAVE THE DATE

JUNE 8 Sail Past/Pancake Breakfast

> JUNE 22 Saint-Jean-Baptiste

JUNE 29 Pirate Karaoke on Rooftop

> JULY 13 Social Dock Crawl

> > JULY 26 TGIF BBQ

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Commodore's Corner

In spite of the reluctant arrival of spring this year, a visit to the marina will confirm that many of our yachts are in the water and are in various stages of the final preparations for the first sail of the season. As much as I prefer conversing about yachts of marine variety, the purpose of this edition's column is to address the use of our land yachts around the marina property.

As you may be aware, the marina's parking and road areas adjacent to the water are purposefully unpaved. This helps control the natural runoff of water into the harbor and bay area and allows the shore to absorb moisture. This is a helpful gesture for the environment and is a factor in the Green Marina designation that *Collins Bay Marina* has earned and continues to maintain.

However, these unpaved areas can be a source of dust clouds when we operate our land yachts in excess of the posted **five miles per hour** dead slow speed limit. I am not suggesting that people intentionally exceed the speed limit around the marina. I do understand, however, that many of us heave a great sigh of relief as we enter the marina property and our thoughts may stray prematurely to that anticipated stay on our vessels and the sailing activity that we will finally be able to enjoy. It's quite easy to forget that an elevated rate of speed can create very annoying and avoidable clouds of dust and, in the worst-case scenario, pose a threat to other boaters, their children, their grandchildren and their pets. This is something that I am certain that we would all like to avoid.

We operate our marine yachts in accordance with the rules and keeping the welfare of our fellow mariners in mind. My request is that we would apply this same thinking and action as we manoeuver our land yachts around the marina property. Please drive cautiously. Everyone will be glad that you did.

Inclosing, please check the website and the Mixer for the latest information regarding the planned club activities for the month of June. I am looking forward to seeing you at these activities and at the sail past on the 8th of June.

Bill Amirault, Commodore

From the Helm

Because of the flooding, the land by the break wall, where the masts are stored, is becoming less stable. We therefore urge sailors to step their mast as soon as possible.

Mast stepping days are Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays.

Also, a reminder to remove ladders from cradles as the cradles will be stacked soon.

Thanking you for your usual cooperation!

The marina is a busy hub of activity. To keep everyone safe, we ask that you respect the restricted speed limit.

We are so very excited to share with you know that we were successful in our recent *Ontario* Municipal Board hearing (an independent, quasi-judicial administrative tribunal).

In 2016, we noticed that the City of Kingston had designated Collins Bay Marina as an "open space and environmental protection area" in its OPA 50 (Official Plan Amendment # 50), meaning that we were at risk of losing both our home and the marina.

We immediately took action and did everything that we could to have the designation corrected. The process has made the last

few years challenging ones for us. But our perseverance has paid off. Bay Marina community and plan The designation has been changed to "Marina Area. This success establishes our "rights" as a marina/docking/mooring facility Spring looks like it has finally and services, including the yacht club, sailing school and tourism operations. It also recognizes our home, summer living on the boats they are great at what they do and accessory uses to our marina business (e.g. restaurant, store, motel, etc).

Oh! Gerry and Lori, is there a chance that this might also include a tiki bar?!

Although this decision has no impact on the airport expansion and the inaccurate noise contours (separate issue), it does help protect us from any potential negative effects from the airport expansion into the future.

We want to take this opportunity to thank everyone for your wonderful support.

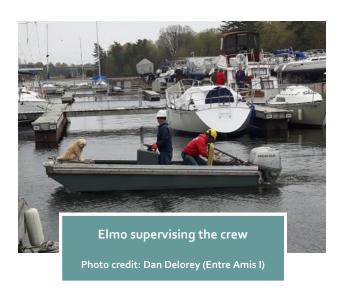
We truly appreciate our Collins on busing in the marina business well into the future.

arrived! With all the wet and cold weather, the crew's expertise has been put to the test. Thankfully and everything has been running smoothly!

As anticipated, we are experiencing some flooding. Hopefully, we will see the water levels slowly decreasing soon. Please be careful out on the water. Look out for debris and hidden obstacles!

Last, but not least, we would like to introduce our 2019 dock hands extraordinaire! The introductions were submitted by their prankster co-workers. You're invited to use the information as conversation starters with them.

> Gerry and Lori Marina Owners & Operators





My name is Brianna and this is my very 1st summer at the marina. So any pointers would be super helpful as I do not have much experience with boats or being outside.

I just graduated Queens University so getting as red as the shirts we wear hugs will be in order! Looking forward If you see me in the yard, come say to seeing everyone's smiling face, but hello. Just make sure that it's after mostly all of your dogs.

my morning coffee!

PS Please follow me on Instagram!



I'm Matt and this is my 4th year at the marina. I'm an excellent jumper and a pro on the lawn mower - just don't ask me about the garden. My favorite part about working at the marina is the carrot muffins and getting as red as the shirts we wear. If you see me in the yard, come say hello. Just make sure that it's after my morning coffee!



My name is Jon. I am a avid gardener. I love growing all kinds of plants. If you have any questions about gardening feel free to ask me for some advice. Also if you have any tips I would love to for you to share them with me so I can improve my own garden. My next step is to attended Queen's in the fall!

Sincerely, Jon



I'm Jonny! This is my fourth year working at the marina. When you see me strutting toward you it's probably to pet your dog. Please admire how "chiseled" I am, I've worked really hard on it and I'd love some recognition from people other than myself! Some may say I'm the best dressed at the marina, and to that I would reply that I don't have much competition. I'm going to share a little secret with you. I LOVE to be greeted with a big hug! Let's have a great summer!



I'm Chad and this is my 1st year ever going outside. You may see me walking around the marina. I'm the tall guy with only half a haircut. I can't really read so I play football instead. My mom still makes my lunch for me and ties my shoes. So from all of that, I bet you can't guess how old I am. Really looking forward to a great summer!



CRUISE CAPTAINS NEEDED

Week-long Cruise (July 6-14)

Phil Morris (Wavelength) is not available to organize the Roundthe-County Cruise this year, but he is ready to coach a new cruise captain.

Civic Holiday Weekend (August 3-5)

We are looking for a new concept and a cruise captain.

Interested in making "it" happen? Contact Marco (Cruise



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Mother Nature vs Collins Bay **Marina**

Saturday, May 25 was one of those dreary, rainy days conducive to not doing much of anything. As I understand it, a few people (including Andrew) decided to take the opportunity for an afternoon snooze.

I was below deck on Shimmer when, around 5:00 p.m., the wind had picked up significantly watchful eyes of numerous and the sky had an ominous look to it, especially to the north of the marina. I decided that it would be prudent to rouse the sleeping skipper and impress upon him the potential for a serious weather event.

We turned on our navigation instruments and moved up into our enclosed cockpit. At that point, we came to the realization that it might not have been a great idea to have our full enclosure completely assembled. However, it was too late to do anything else but watch and hope for the best.

We watched the wind gusts get stronger and stronger and, at its peak, our anemometer recorded 52 knots! Interestingly, there was no rain during the event but there was definitely evidence of a circular pattern of wind as a waterspout was forming out in

the bay. It never became fully organized but it was still concerning nonetheless.

When it was all over. both H and C docks had broken away and part of A dock was "swinging in the

wind" so to speak. The Collins Bay Marina team, led by Gerry Buzzi, immediately took action to restore the infrastructure to working order. Under the 'armchair experts'/by-standers, Gerry and crew leveraged the use of the crane and front-end loader to carefully reassemble the wayward harbour pieces. The photos tell the story.



After the event, I received the following note from a current C



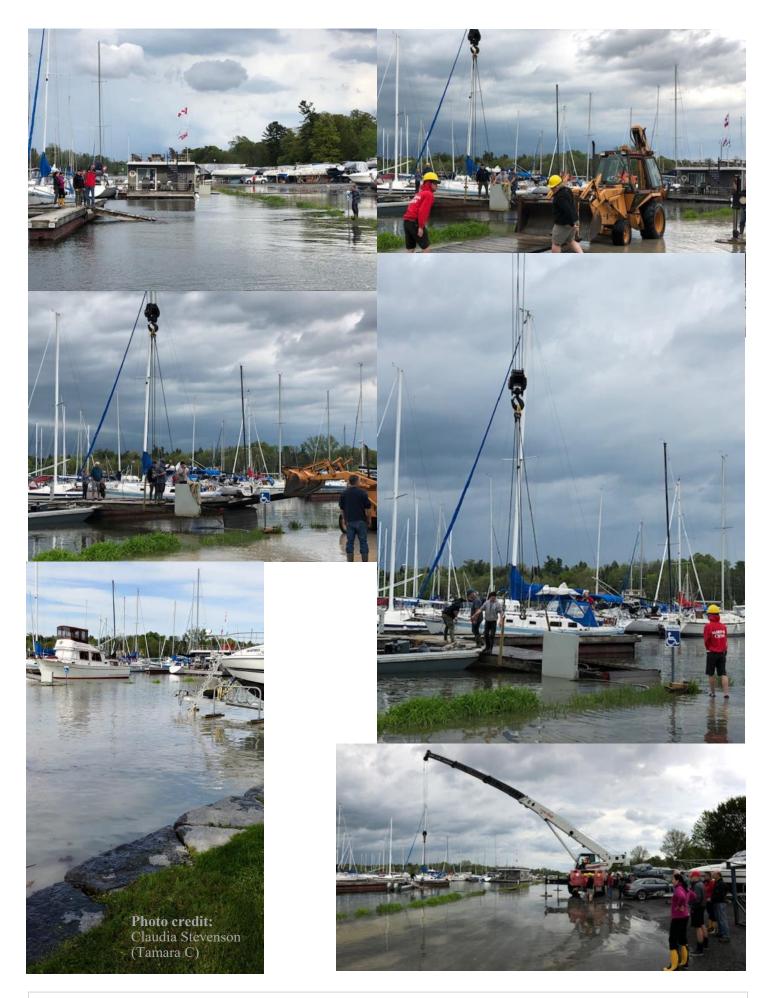
Dock occupant (i.e., not Tamara C): "It is time to reveal the truth - as a significant political statement, C Dock has separated from Collins Bay Marina and will form an Independent Nation in the heart of Collins Bay. A sturdy group of citizens has already populated said dock and will be developing a new constitution. C Dockers have felt since the

> confederation of the club that their unique and individual needs have been glossed over. As past C Dockers, you will be given preferential treatment in support of your application."

Someone has a wonderful sense of humour and it reminds us that we should take every opportunity to enjoy whatever life throws at us when we can.

Wendy & Andrew Hope Shimmer

Click here for video of marina staff in action.





2019 CBYC SAILPAST

5 Events in 1 Day Saturday, June 8

Lots will be happening on this year's Sail Past. Formality and decorum or free spirit, it's your choice.

The Commodore will be welcoming new CBYC members at the dinner. He will also be presenting Sail Past prizes for best decorated boat and the most original salute so let your creativity flow!

Members are asked to courtesy register at the marina office in advance to help organizers plan the quantity of salads and buns needed for the *Bring Your Own BBQ Dinner*.

A reminder that the Commodore will be available for boat renaming ceremonies. You can contact him at commodore@collinsbayyachtclub.ca to schedule one.

All are Welcome

8 AM -10 AM Pancake Breakfast

- SS Maria (clubhouse)
- Proceeds to the sailing school
- \$6 per person
- \$3 per child

10 AM – Skippers Meeting for Racers and Sailpast Skippers

· Marina's front lawn

1030 AM – First Sailpast

 Racers first followed by the fleet

1100 AM – Simcoe Island Race

· First flag

1 PM – Charity Locker Sale

- Surplus donations accepted
- Proceeds go towards maintenance of Reliance, the CBYC committee boat.

6 PM - BBO

- Marina's front lawn
- Bring your own BBQ dinner, beverages, plates & cutlery
- Salads and buns will be provided by the yacht club

Paint by the Bay

CBYC club member Christina MacLachlan (Commotion) will once again be offering afternoons/evenings of guided creativity.



ALL skill levels are welcome!

Below are the many possibilities. (The cost includes all materials.)



SAILBOAT AND SUNSET

Friday, June 21 7 p.m.—9 p.m. \$20



PHOTO TRANSFER WORKSHOP

Saturday, June 29 & Sunday, June 30 10:30 a.m. — 12:30 p.m. \$45

In this 2- day workshop, you will have the opportunity to learn how to turn your own photographs into transfers that Saturday, August 17 become part of a painting.

Day 1: You will learn how to make a transfer and try developing one into a complete give you a unique experience painting.

Day 2: You will finish the transfer process and hand colour your transfer using acrylic paint, marker and coloured pencil. You will have a hands-on experience with making the actual transfer, revealing the transfer after it

has dried and turning the transfer into a finished painting.

Participants will walk away with a 16" X 20" acrylic painting made with a personal photograph!

TOUR OF THE AGNES ETHERINGTON ART CENTRE

Sunday, July 28 1 p.m.—2:30 p.m. \$5



GRANDPARENT AND ME

1 p.m.—3 p.m. \$20

This workshop is designed to with your grandchild. Working together, you will create an art project that will create a precious family memory.

Using paint, coloured pencil, marker, oil pastels and other materials, you will make a large scale three dimensional under the sea creature.

Time: 2 hours
No experience necessary.
Creativity is encouraged!
Designed for children 6 and up



PUMPKINSFriday, September 13 7 p.m.—9 p.m. \$20



CHRISTMAS CARDS AND WRAPPING PAPER

Friday, December 13 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. \$20

(Space is limited as it will be held in Christina's workshop.)

Christina will guide you to produce lovely Christmasthemed greeting cards and unique wrapping paper with simple watercolour and mixed media techniques. Using stamps, collage and paint, you will design and produce your own cards and paper. Creativity is encouraged!
Suitable for all ages.

You can sign up at the marina office up to the day before the event. Feel free to bring your favourite drinks and snacks.

GLCC's Lake Ontario Rally



To kick off its 2019 boating season, the <u>Great Lakes Cruising Club</u> has organized the **Lake Ontario Rally** from June 14 to 16, 2019 at the <u>Trent Port Marina</u> (Trenton). Click <u>here</u> for details.

CBYC club member George Dew will be happy to answer any questions you may have about this event. He can be reached at george@carriere-dew.net / 819-592-4695.



Canadian Power and Sail Boating Courses

Click here to register

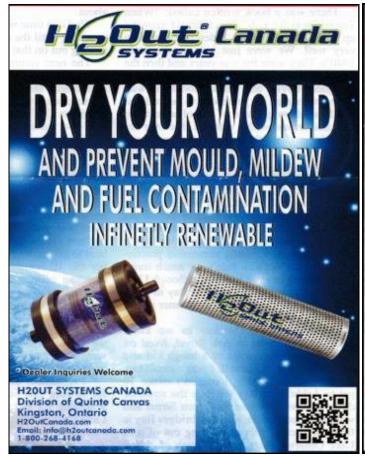


ART AMONG THE RUINS

Viola and David (*Royal Suite*) will again be hosting the popular <u>Art Among the Ruins</u> event on their property, ruins of a 19th century mill located along the Napanee River, in Newburgh.

If you've never attended, **Art Among the Ruins** is a large outdoor art show and sale featuring local artists showcasing juried-quality paintings, sculpture, mosaic tile, fibre, wood, paper, photography & more. It's worth the drive!

Admission is free and there is live entertainment (this year <u>Tim Aylesworth</u> and <u>Jazz On Colborne!</u>)







COLLINS BAY YACHT CLUB

WANTED: VOLUNTEERS AND EVENT SPONSORS

COME VOLUNTEER FOR SOME OF OUR FUN CBYC EVENTS OR BECOME AND EVENT SPONSOR AND GET YOUR BRAND OUT THERE!

June 8 Sail Past

June 22 St-Jean Baptist

June 29 Pirate Karaoke on the Roof-Top

July 13 Social Dock Crawl

July 26 TGIF BBQ

Aug 17 A Cut Above Steak Dinner

Sept 21 Chilifest Potluck

Oct 19 Batten the Hatches - Year End Party at KYC

LUNTEERS

Interested? Call us at 343-333-7829 or email social@collinsbayyachtclub.ca to sign up!

CBYC Jackets

Interested in a CBYC jacket? They are available for CBYC racers (as per photo below) and for non-racers (CBYC logo only).

These water resistant jackets are made of 100% polyester mechanical stretch - perfect for spring and fall.

They are available in several colours and the sizing is true to size.

Mens Womens

The cost is \$55, including embroidered logo and tax.

If you have any questions or if you wish to place an order, please contact Liz (*Horizon Dancer*) at 613-329-1099 or by email.



You'll then be ready to take on Marilyn and Robert's (*Day Dream*) challenge (see below).

to know. Many of the yacht clubs have conditions associated to the reciprocal



Reciprocals

Most club members know that one of the amazing benefits of being a member of CBYC is access to the reciprocal arrangements that we have with many other yacht clubs and marinas across Lake Ontario and our area of the Seaway. If you're planning an extensive trip around the lake, the savings could easily equal or even exceed the annual cost of an annual CBYC membership.

When considering taking advantage of reciprocal arrangements, there are a couple of things that you need

arrangements that differ from each other. For example, some clubs might offer the first night free with a second night at an attractive reduced rate.

You can find a list of all the current sailing and yacht clubs reciprocal arrangements on our website. The list includes the name of the club, their location, and most importantly, the URL that will bring you to their website. Typically, clubs will specify the conditions related to their reciprocal offerings to visiting clubs on their websites. This provides visitors with important information when planning excursions across our waterways.

One very important point to keep in mind at this time is that some of our reciprocal partners may be located in areas that have been impacted by high water levels, compromising their infrastructures and docks, and consequently their ability to host visitors. On our trip around the lake in 2017. another high-water year, several of the marinas we intended to visit were unable to accommodate us due to damage they experienced. Some of these marinas are still recovering from 2017 and there is a possibility that they may not be able to open again this year. Therefore, it would be prudent to check in with the other clubs you intend to visit before setting out on your summer journeys to avoid any unpleasant surprises. Their websites will generally provide updates on their situation, but in the absence of any published information, you may wish to contact the club directly to get a sense of their situation.

Happy sailing!

Peter Feltham Vice-Commodore



A Show of Appreciation

Some of you may know that Louis Lefrançois and Maryse Beaupré were members of the *Ile Perrot Yacht Club* prior to coming to *Collins Bay Marina* and joining CBYC. In fact, they weren't just members, Louis was the Commodore and Maryse the Social Director for five years.

In appreciation for all that they did for IPYC, their friend Marc Robic, who himself has been, IPYC's Harbour Master for ten years, presented them with an exact replica of their new-to-them Catalina 36 MKII, *Dream Weaver*, which he made for them. Wow!





It even has the dinghy!

Clubhouse Update

The clubhouse now has new dimmable lighting which will suit a variety of activities (e.g. bright lighting required for seminars/courses, dim lighting for evening social gatherings). Thursday evening racers have given this change a two thumbs up. Hopefully you will as well. Our thanks go out to Glen Reid (Clubhouse Chair) and to Larry Martin (*Coral Wave*) for making this happen!

As well, you may have noticed the two new Adirondack chairs on top of the clubhouse. You're invited to try them out and enjoy the spectacular sunsets.



Women's Sailing Program

Want to develop your sailing skills?

Join us!

Click <u>here</u> to subscribe to the email group.







LET'S CELEBRATE THE ST. JEAN BAPTISTE!

SATURDAY, JUNE 22 (starting at 3 p.m.)

Lobster Dinner \$25 Steak Dinner \$20

Veggie Option 1 Beyond Meat burger \$10 2 Beyond Meat burgers \$15

* Dinner includes salad, bread, garlic butter, coffee and dessert

IMPORTANT

Please register by Wednesday, June 19th at the marina office

Don't forget to bring your lawn chairs plates, cutlery and drinks

All Collins Bay Marina patrons, family and friends are welcome

Lawn and team games

Most outstanding and memorable hat and t-shirt contest

Music in the evening

Don't miss CBYC's biggest social event!

CÉLÉBRONS LA SAINT-JEAN-BAPTISTE!

SAMEDI 22 JUIN (débutant à 15h00)

Dîner au homard \$25 Dîner au steak \$20

Option végétarienne 1 burger *Beyond Meat* \$10 2 burgers *Beyond Meat* \$15

* Le dîner inclus la salade, pain, beurre à l'ail, café et dessert

IMPORTANT

Veuillez vous enregistrer <u>au plus tard</u> <u>le mercredi 19 juin</u>, au bureau de la marina

N'oubliez pas d'apporter vos chaises de parterre, votre vaisselle, vos ustensiles et vos breuvages

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Cruisers, Join Our Email Groups

Email groups are a good way to communicate information to club members interested in particular topics. Any member of the group can make a post by sending an email to a designated email address. The post is automatically sent to all of the members in the group.

Such a group was created in 2017 to provide suggestions on nearby weekend anchorages and it proved to be very popular. While reactivating that group, CBYC has added another group for those interested in impromptu cruises.

WEEKEND ANCHORAGES



This email group is intended for CBYC weekend cruisers to share information on choice weekend destinations east and west of Collins Bay.

Posts based on the recommendations of some of CBYC's most seasoned cruisers are made every Friday morning.

To join this email group or to request information, click here.

IMPROMPTU CRUISES



This email group is intended for cruisers interested in participating in cruises organised with short notice. These could be conducted anytime of the week and vary in duration.

This email group will provide the communication medium to notify the members about such cruises, allow them to sign-up for the cruise and provide them with the details of the cruise.

To join this email group or to request information, click <u>here</u>.

Cruise Coordinator, Marco Rancourt

Blast from the Past

To entertain you this month, I've chosen a treasure from the past titled Wild Weekend in Waupoos, which appeared in the September 2008 issue of the Mixer. What a fun cruise it was!

Robert van Dyk, Club Historian (Day Dreams)



just settled his rear on the stern rail seat and between stories and chewin' his pipe made comments the wheel and show me how it's middle-of-the-night upwind as the Cap'n likes to replace Saturday evening festivities. timeless provides some immunity.

one will even notice me. over 55 members and guests; but dog", I countered. matched everyone was

It was a dull grey day on the North appropriately, so he had better not you told me about you could use Channel but the wind was steady get any ideas. There was also going lots of anchoring practice." Nuff and pretty fair out of the souwest, so to be a sizable group from the said! a close haul from the Brothers to Kingston Yacht Club, 18 boats with Prinyers was doable. Cap'n Salty 40 souls aboard, so they were fair game if he could find someone his age and personality match. Good luck!



like, "up a bit!" and "yer too high!", After an uneventful night at in it appeared the party had begun. until I quietly suggested that he take Prinyers Cove, except for the shower, done. It's fortunate we were going pressed on for Waupoos for the his pipe tobacco with dulse tried sailing for a bit, but not being occasionally, and this was an capable of figuring out when and occasion. Smoldering dulse fumes where the wind was going to are recommended neither for man emerge, decided that the batteries nor beast, but Salty doesn't seem to were in need of charging. Nuff said? mind. I suppose being ageless and Cap'n Salty, at one thoughtful moment, began to speak. "Y'know, that Prinyers place is a pretty I had invited him along for the protected harbour. The three other Waupoos Cruise on the condition boats from yer club that were safely that he behave himself and stay in anchored out in the bay took off the background. "Don't cha worry" early this morning with nary a hail he replied, "I'll just act like one of or a wave." "Well", I replied with yer de-bonne-aire yachtsmen and no some trepidation, "They may have I thought I was a bit of a wimp explained that there was going to be parking on the wall." "WELL?" he a good crowd from our club, 23 snorted, giving me his they-couldboats and 2 land yachts containing be-right smile. "It was only for the "Sure!" he up replied, "But after the last escapade



Waupoos, at last, and most everyone is here; docked effectively by the marina staff and help from friendly boaters. By the time we got "What's this about Happy Hour



exclaimed. "No problem!" says the cruising along and some bloke fell dancing would prevail. We were not bearded fisherman, 'In the Maritimes, overboard. The skipper made a crash disappointed! my time, its 5, be see'n yas!"

display created by all from both Collin skipper shoved the throttle into Bay and Kingston club members. (The forward and the cruise resumed. Ten Cap'n brought his own Captain second flat! That Phil feller would be Highliner Fish Sticks and did not proud. But I kept thinking the MOB share, thankfully!) This supper was might have been safer on dry land,



where Pat and Lionel Redford, our Cap,n Salty took a breath at this point esteemed organizers for the weekend but kept on going, "Well, jeese bye, could provide instructions for the gotta get goin', I'm meeting the evening and beyond. The Cap'n gave Queen at the Cidery!" "Whoa! What me a nudge. "That feller talks like that Queen?" says me. "Well" Salty preacher from Glace Bay. Is he retired grinned, "The Queen of St Margarets The last but not least event of the from the ministry?" "Sort of" I said, Bay is havin' lunch with some of your Waupoos Weekend Cruise, after returning the nudge, "Ohhh." Most of us were Canada'' looking for a quiet evening and retiring early; and most of us did.

The sun came up right on time Sunday morning, but the Cap'n lay in for a bit. When he joined up with us at the Pub where were having a great lunch on the patio, he looked pretty worn, but



starting at 4 in the afternoon?" I There we were in the hot tub just a for the evening and cautiously wild stop and several bodies jumped overboard, hauled the MOB back to Pot Luck was for supper, the culinary the tub, and threw him back in! The than cruising in the tub kept from drownin' by his mates. Anyway, yer buddies are a real helpful bunch. There was personal delivery of the crew to their own boats after the hot tub cruise, and someone even made sure everyone knew it was 2 o'clock in the morning. What a thoughtful crew! But when I tried discussing the MOB exercise with the cruisers this morning, the only response was "I don't remember" again and again."

"Revenue bunch at the Cidery and I'm invited,"



"Just watch out for her Consort" I warned, "He's a Maritimer too, ya know. But his beard is trimmed, and it looks like he could trim your beard with no problem."

climax to our festivities, wonderfully old Salty said that he enjoyed our prepared and served by the Waupoos summer together but would be heading Marina staff; great beef and chicken, back home as he had to meet Hannah. bubbling with excitement. "What a roasted potatoes, salads, and "crème de "Who's Hannah? I questioned. "What night!" he grimaced, "You folks really la crème" corn on the cob! And after can I say, they call her Hannah the know how to throw a party, and even I dessert it was great to see the band set Hurricane" Salty says with a big wink, learned a lot. That was the first time I up with the musicians having hair as "And she's headed for the Maritimes." participated in a Man Overboard grey as ours. We knew that the 60's, With that he says goodbye and hands Procedure practiced on dry land, and 70's would be our musical venue me a short list of suggestions for future



farewells were made next morning, was a relaxing race back to Collins Bay. Everyone but me slept most of the way back, even Cap'n Salty. He



didn't have any tales to tell today, I wonder why. Having successfully The Annual Barbeque provided the completed the race and docked safely,

consideration:

If you're goin' for a cruise in the Hot Tub, take lots of water to prevent dehydration.

If you run all the way from the marina to the cheese factory, stop and enjoy it, running all the way back is dangerous and wastes energy.

If you have to go into the ditch on the way back from the Cidery wear long pants or itchy ankles may result.

And finally, don't put your boots on before you check for dead fish or wasps; wasps like the smell of dead fish!

Best Regards, Cap'n Salty and Dream Haze





Opportunity knocked and Mark Sansom opened the door! We are pleased to announce that Mark as our new *Newsletter Chair*.

Mark is no stranger to CBYC. For many years he's attended and participated in our social events. He also sails with his parents on *Dream Haze*.

Welcome Mark!





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2018 Lake Ontario and U.S. Cruise -**Our Great Adventure Continues**

(Version française à la page 23.)

Reminder

Our adventure picks up where we left off in last month's Mixer when we were in the Port of Rochester Marina.

DAY 18 – JULY 12 BROCKPORT (NY)

We left the Port of Rochester Marina for Oak Orchard. Since we had favourable winds, we raised our sails when we came out of the channel.

Unfortunately, the wind quickly in 1910. The inside is like a log veered West and we started beating upwind. After 4½ hours we realized that we wouldn't reach our destination, meters to a deserted beach as we had by then only covered 8 of the 29 miles. We decided to look for a stopover. Luckily, there was a reciprocal yacht club 5 miles ahead, the Brockport Yacht Club. We switched from sails to outboard, still glad that we were able to at least sail for part of the leg.



The Brockport Yacht Club is located close to the entrance of Sandy Creek. Draft is limited to 6 feet, at best. We were greeted first by a family of white swans (photo), then by Scott, a local character who told us up front that he hated Canadians, and started laughing. He then explained that he's married to one. We ended up having a long conversation with him. He's a musician from the '60s who has lived his life accordingly (and still does).

The yacht club was founded in 1904, and the clubhouse built cabin. It's very cozy.

After signing in, we walked 200 where we cooled off in the refreshing water.

DAY 19 – 13 JULY OAK ORCHARD (NY)

We left for Oak Orchard. The wind had fun playing with us. We'd motor when the wind died and sailed when it picked up

again. We were 2 kms away from our destination, doing 4 kts, when the wind died.

The Oak Orchard Yacht Club (reciprocal) is

located one mile up Oak Orchard Creek, beyond the bridge (54-ft clearance) on the west shore. Visitors must find an empty slip identified as "Open". This seemed easy at first, but the signs were not always obvious. Andrea, another visiting boater, guided us to an available slip. The creek is about 100 m wide, but the dock is located close to the middle of it, with limited manoeuvring space. Depth at the slips is 4-5 ft.

The scenery around the yacht club is gorgeous, with steep shores. You must walk up 50 m to reach the clubhouse. The docks create a large area of still water filled with water lilies. Turtles and white swans take turns floating on a log to sunbathe.



We initially planned to visit the Oak Orchard Lighthouse, but I was tired and it was yet another very warm day. Instead, we opted to stay on the boat and read.

Shortly after our arrival, Scott (the character we had met at the Brockport Yacht Club) went by on his motorboat, shouting "We thought we got rid of you Canadians!" We had time for a 10-second funny exchange and he continued on his way.

Around 5 pm, Andrea came by to invite us for a drink on her boat. She's from Toronto and single hands her 28-footer. She's an experienced sailor, racing for years and completing two crossings to Hawaii as crew. When we met her, she was circumnavigating Lake Ontario as preparation for cruising down the Intracoastal Waterway on her way to Cuba. Ironically, she was amazed by the fact that we were cruising on a Tanzer 22. Imagine how humble we felt towards her many achievements and travel objective.

That evening we ate at the vacht club restaurant. We felt underdressed compared to the other diners. The restaurant is very nice and the tables are well spread out. Andrea joined us when we were being served. We continued sharing our cruising experiences and plans.

Tomorrow we'll be going to Wilson (NY).

More of our month-long adventure to appear in future Mixer issues.

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Croisière Lac Ontario et États-Unis 2018 - La suite de notre grande aventure

Un rappel

Notre aventure reprend là où nous nous étions arrêtés dans le *Mixer* du mois dernier lorsque nous étions à la Marina du Port de Rochester.

JOUR 18 – 12 JUILLET BROCKPORT (NY)

Nous nous sommes levés tôt à la Marina du port de Rochester et, après avoir rempli nos deux réservoirs d'essence, nous avons quitté en direction de

notre prochaine destination, Oak Orchard. Nous avons sorti les voiles en quittant la voie navigable car il y avait un vent favorable. Malheureusement, il a viré rapidement vers l'ouest et nous avons commencé à louvoyer en remontant le vent, ce que nous fîmes pour 4½ heures. Nous avons alors réalisé que nous n'atteindrions pas notre destination, n'ayant couvert que 8 miles sur 29, et Marco Rancourt avons cherché un autre endroit (Le Rêve Possible) pour passer la nuit. Par chance, il y avait à 5 miles devant nous un club avec lequel nous avions une entente de réciprocité, le Brockport Yacht Club. Nous sommes passés des voiles au moteur, tout de même heureux d'avoir pu faire de la voile pour une partie du trajet.

> Le Brockport Yacht Club est situé à l'embouchure d'un ruisseau appelé Sandy Creek. La profondeur est limitée à six pieds tout au plus. Une famille de cygnes blancs nous a souhaité la bienvenue, puis ce fut au tour de Scott, un personnage coloré qui nous a salué en disant qu'il haïssait les canadiens, pour ensuite pouffer de rire en avouant qu'il



en avait marié une. Nous avons Crique Oak Orchard, après le plus tard eu une longue conversation avec lui. Un musicien des années 60, il a vécu en conséquence (et il le fait toujours).

Le club de voile fut fondé en 1904, et son bâtiment construit en 1910. À l'intérieur, on dirait un camp en bois rond. C'est très chaleureux.

Dès que nous avons terminé l'enregistrement, nous sommes allés à la plage déserte qui était à 200 mètres du bateau. L'eau froide nous a grandement rafraîchis et nous y sommes restés pendant une demiheure.

JOUR 19 – 13 JUILLET OAK ORCHARD (NY)

Nous nous sommes levés à 6h30, pour partir à 9h30. Le vent nous a joué des tours, en commençant avec une brise venant de la terre, puis nous avons repris la routine d'utiliser le moteur lorsqu'il tombait, puis les voiles lorsqu'il réapparaissait. Le manège a duré jusqu'à 10h30 alors que le vent tourna vers le nord-ouest. Nous avons ainsi longé la côte en faisant 4 kt, jusqu'à 2 km de notre destination, où le vent a disparu.

Le Oak Orchard Yacht Club (entente de réciprocité) est situé un mile en amont de la pont (dégagement de 54 pi) et sur la berge ouest. Les visiteurs doivent trouver une cale identifiée comme « Disponible ». Ça semblait facile, mais les écriteaux n'étaient pas faciles à voir et une autre visiteuse, Andrea, nous a guidé vers une cale. La crique fait environ 100 m de large, mais le quai est situé au milieu, ce qui limite l'espace de qu'il ne s'éloigne trop pour la manœuvre. La profondeur aux cales est de 4-5 pi.



voile est superbe, avec des berges escarpées. Il faut monter 50 m à la marche pour atteindre la maison du club. Le quai crée un grand espace d'eau morte rempli de nénuphars. Des tortues et des cygnes blancs prennent leur tour sur un gros tronc flottant pour prendre un bain de soleil ou faire leur toilette.

Nous avions initialement l'intention de nous rendre au phare d'Oak Orchard, mais je

me sentais trop fatigué et il faisait chaud. Nous sommes donc restés sur le bateau à lire.

Peu après notre arrivée, Scott (le personnage colorée du Brockport Yacht Club) est passé derrière nous en criant « On pensait s'être débarrassés de vous les canadiens! » Nous avons pu avoir un 10 secondes de discussion amusante avant poursuivre.

> Vers 17h00, Andrea est venue nous inviter à prendre l'apéritif sur son bateau. Elle est de Toronto et navigue en solo sur son voilier de 28 pi. Elle est un marin expérimenté, ayant à son actif plusieurs

années de régates et deux Le panorama autour du club de traversées vers Hawaii comme équipière. Elle faisait également le tour du Lac Ontario, comme préparation à sa croisière dans l'Intracoastal Waterway, vers Cuba. Ironiquement, elle était impressionnée du fait que nous faisions de la croisière sur un Tanzer 22. Vous pouvez imaginer combien nous nous sentions humble devant ses accomplissements et son objectif.

En la quittant, vers 18h45, nous nous sommes rendus au restaurant du club de voile pour y manger des fish and chips. Nous aurions pu nous habiller un peu plus pour nous sentir plus à l'aise avec la clientèle régulière. Le restaurant est très beau et les tables sont bien dispersées. Andrea nous a rejoint alors qu'on nous servait notre repas et nous avons dîné ensemble en continuant à discuter de nos time for me to move on. expériences et nos plans.

La prochaine destination, le jour suivant, serait Wilson (NY). Notre aventure continuera dans un Mixer futur.

Marco Rancourt (Le Rêve Possible)



It's been a real blast, but it's

Three years ago, Commodore Al MacLachlan asked me if I'd be interested in being the club's Newsletter Chair, as Marilyn and Robert (Day Dreams) had decided to "retire" from this position. I was working full time then and didn't see how I could fit this responsibility into my already full life. But Al reassured me that I could make of it whatever I wanted, even if it meant publishing the Mixer every other month. I decided to embrace this exciting new opportunity and got SO much enjoyment out of it that the Mixer grew from 8 issues a year would those of a paper to 12!

Being a perfectionist, I immediately consulted graphic designers to get tips on how I could give the Mixer a "magazine" look. Some of their suggestions were to use a

common font throughout, to place text in 3 columns, to deactivate the hyphenation feature, to not to be afraid of having free space on a page, and using photos rather than drawings. I also took full advantage of hyperlinks to make it easier for you, the reader, to access related information. I took so many photographs that they could not all be included in the Mixer, so I created photo albums on the Collins Bay Marina and Collins Bay Yacht Club's Facebook page.

An idea I had hoped to introduce was the ability to flip the Mixer's pages, as you magazine. I didn't have the time/ability to make this happen. However, Mark, our new Newsletter Chair, has a technical background, so I'll pass this idea on to him. Perhaps he'll be able to make this interactive feature a reality.

Being CBYC's Newsletter Chair has been a rewarding experience - I had the opportunity to meet so many club members, be part of the executive team, I received positive feedback and appreciation, you've been generous contributors, and I had complete autonomy to produce the Mixer my way.

If you're wondering what I will be doing with all of this extra time on my hands, let me just say that I won't be idle. My newest challenge is developing and implementing the CBYC Women's Sailing Program, which I'm very excited about. More about this very soon.

Though I felt quite certain that it was time for me to embark on a new challenge, I must admit that as I'm finalizing my last *Mixer* newsletter, I am filled with bittersweet emotions. Letting go of the *Mixer*, which has been my "baby" for the past three years, brings with it a degree of sadness.

But it is time for me to move on and I have no doubt that the *Mixer* will be in great hands. Mark will bring his own personal touch to it and I'm very much looking forward to reading the newsletters that he'll be publishing.

With much appreciation and gratitude!

Hélène Hubert (Cattitude)



Creating an issue of the *Mixer* while sailing across Lake Ontario



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